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Offered by:

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To: Subst. House Bill No. **5100**

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"AN ACT CONCERNING THE MEDICAL USE OF MARIJUANA."

- Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
- 2 following in lieu thereof:
- 3 "Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 21a-246 of the general statutes is
- 4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 5 October 1, 2003):
- 6 (a) No person within this state shall manufacture, wholesale,
- 7 repackage, supply, compound, mix, cultivate or grow, or by other
- 8 process produce or prepare, controlled substances without first
- 9 obtaining a license to do so from the Commissioner of Consumer
- 10 Protection and no person within this state shall operate a laboratory
- 11 for the purpose of research or analysis using controlled substances
- 12 without first obtaining a license to do so from the Commissioner of
- 13 Consumer Protection, except that such activities by pharmacists or
- pharmacies in the filling and dispensing of prescriptions, or activities
- 15 incident thereto, or the dispensing or administering of controlled

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16 substances by dentists, podiatrists, physicians [,] or veterinarians, or 17 other persons acting under their supervision, in the treatment of 18 patients shall not be subject to the provisions of this section, and 19 provided laboratories for instruction in dentistry, medicine, nursing, 20 pharmacy, pharmacology and pharmacognosy in institutions duly 21 licensed for such purposes in this state shall not be subject to the 22 provisions of this section except with respect to narcotic drugs and 23 schedule I and II controlled substances. Upon application of any 24 physician licensed pursuant to chapter 370, the Commissioner of 25 Consumer Protection shall, without unnecessary delay, license such 26 physician to possess and supply marijuana for [the treatment of 27 glaucoma or the side effects of chemotherapy] medical use, as defined 28 in section 21a-253, as amended by this act. No person [without] outside 29 this state shall sell or supply controlled substances within [the] this 30 state without first obtaining a license to do so from the Commissioner 31 of Consumer Protection, provided no such license shall be required of 32 a manufacturer whose principal place of business is located outside [the] this state and who is registered with the federal Drug 33 34 Enforcement Agency or other federal agency, and who files a copy of 35 such registration with the appropriate licensing authority under this 36 chapter.

- Sec. 2. Section 21a-253 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2003*):
- 39 (a) For the purposes of this section, "medical use" means the 40 acquisition, possession or use of marijuana or paraphernalia relating to 41 marijuana, pursuant to a prescription made in accordance with the 42 provisions of section 21a-249 by a physician licensed under the 43 provisions of chapter 370 and further authorized by subsection (a) of 44 section 21a-246, as amended by this act, to alleviate the symptoms or 45 effects of (A) cancer, glaucoma, positive status for human immunodeficiency virus or acquired immune deficiency syndrome, or 46 47 the treatment of any such conditions, including, but not limited to, 48 chemotherapy, or (B) a chronic or debilitating disease or medical 49 condition, or the treatment thereof, that produces one or more of the

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50 following: (i) Cachexia or wasting syndrome; (ii) severe pain; (iii)

- 51 severe nausea; (iv) seizures, including, but not limited to, those
- 52 characteristic of epilepsy; or (v) severe and persistent muscle spasms,
- 53 <u>including</u>, but not limited to, those characteristic of multiple sclerosis
- or Crohn's disease.
- 55 (b) Any person may possess or have under [his] such person's 56 control a quantity of marijuana less than or equal to that quantity 57 supplied [to him] pursuant to a prescription made in accordance with 58 the provisions of section 21a-249 by a physician licensed under the 59 provisions of chapter 370 and further authorized by subsection (a) of section 21a-246, as amended by this act, by the Commissioner of 60 61 Consumer Protection to possess and supply marijuana for [the 62 treatment of glaucoma or the side effects of chemotherapy] medical 63 use.
- (c) In any prosecution involving marijuana or paraphernalia relating
 to marijuana under this chapter, the medical use of such marijuana
 shall be an affirmative defense."

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	October 1, 2003
Sec. 2	October 1, 2003